



## Australian technical communicators Time to stand up and be counted!

You're invited to join the Australian Society for Technical Communication (ASTC) Incorporated. The ASTC is the national society for technical communicators, and has the opportunity to shape the profession in which we work and to promote the activities of technical communicators. Join now and support the ASTC.

### What's in it for me?

Membership features include:

- central access to resources and information
- information about new and developing technology
- job posts provided by email and links provided through LinkedIn
- rich and meaningful networking opportunities
- professional support network
- training and education programs
- access to the Australian conference at membership rates.

### Some background

The ASTC was formed from the original state-based New South Wales and Victorian organisations. During the restructure to a national body, we were known as the Technical Writers Industry Association Incorporated (TWIA). The ASTC is run by a voluntary committee of technical communicators from various locations. Many committee members have joined the committee to assist with personal development. In some cases this has led to new career opportunities.



### Professional recognition

ASTC has members all over Australia: in capital cities and regional areas. Our society has established relationships with similar societies in New Zealand, the United Kingdom and the United States of America. We are constantly developing relationships with industry, government, communication houses and educational institutions.

The services of our society focus on increasing the skills and knowledge of our members, supporting their workplace performance, facilitating their employment aspirations and keeping them in touch with technical communication happenings and trends in Australia and internationally.

### Education

Our professional development program offers:

- meetings and seminars that expose members to specialist knowledge through papers and presentations
- an annual, two-day conference that re-energises members through innovative papers, engaging presentations and animated informal discussions
- our journal, Southern Communicator, that keeps us in touch with the technical communication world and development trends.

### Job Opportunities

The Job Opportunities Service is an email mailing list that alerts members about jobs throughout Australia. The list is curated from a number of online sources and other industry contacts. Emails are sent as soon as jobs are advertised. To be part of Job Opportunities, simply sign up to the Job Opportunities mailing list:

<http://tiny.cc/vpd4by>

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